

Senate Resolution 1170

By: Senators Kemp of the 46th, Adelman of the 42nd, Cagle of the 49th, Hudgens of the 47th, Shafer of the 48th and others

ADOPTED SENATE**A RESOLUTION**

1 Urging the Governor to continue his pursuit of the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility
2 for Georgia and expressing the Senate's support of his efforts; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, a national research facility that could fight pandemics such as bird flu, combat
4 bioterrorism, and provide hundreds of high-paying jobs has been proposed on the national
5 level; and

6 WHEREAS, in these uncertain times of global terrorism, it is essential that our nation have
7 such a facility as part of the Department of Homeland Security; and

8 WHEREAS, the facility would bring 1,000 construction jobs, house 450 federal workers, and
9 have at least a \$3 billion economic impact on the region; and

10 WHEREAS, the location of this facility here would cement Georgia's role as a national and
11 world leader in this highly competitive field; and

12 WHEREAS, the new facility's responsibilities would include study of animal diseases foreign
13 to the United States, transmission of disease between animals and humans, vaccine
14 development, and safety of the American food supply.

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
16 urge the Governor to continue his pursuit of the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility for
17 Georgia and express their support of his efforts.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
19 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Governor and to each member of the
20 Georgia congressional delegation.